

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the Abstract now appearing in the currently filed specification as follows, wherein a clean copy of the Abstract is attached to the end of this reply:

The collecting filter can capture and collect various chlorinated organic compounds in both particulate form and gaseous form contained in a fluid at the same time, and is easy to extract the collected chlorinated organic compounds therefrom. This collecting filter 7 is provided with a fluid-permeable molded body containing fibers and an inorganic binder for binding the fibers to one another, and a hydrophobic material having higher hydrophobicity than that of the fibers and the inorganic binder, which is retained in the molded body. ~~When the collecting filter 7 is disposed in a holder 6 having a discharging path 12a, and a sample gas containing various chlorinated organic compounds is flown into the holder 6 from a flue 25 via a collecting tube 2 and an introducing tube 8, the various~~ Various chlorinated organic compounds such as dioxins in both particulate form and gaseous form contained in the sample gas are captured and collected upon passage through the collecting filter 7. ~~filter 7, and the sample gas is discharged through the discharging path 12a to the outside.~~